

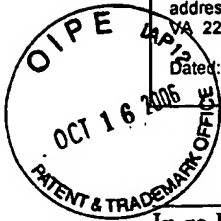
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the final Office Action dated June 14, 2006, for which a response was due on September 14, 2006. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to October 16, 2006 (October 14<sup>th</sup> being a Saturday). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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